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RLEROI'S ASSESSMENT WILL BE COMPLETED THIS EVENING

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ER BOOKS ON THURSDAY

assessment books, from which ennial assessment of Charleroi made by thecounty commis- will be completed this even- der direction of H. S. Piersol was elected to theposition of h assessor to fill a vacancy a of months ago.

hecounty commissioners will , the books will not be de- l to the commissioners' office Thursday, in order to allow the r to check over and see that fors have been made. It is ex- that this request will be d on which case Mr. Piersol eliver the books in the best pos- shape and from which the com- ners can make their triennial ment.

required a lot of strenuous on the part of Mr. Piersol, as as a number of assistants to lete the books on time, and comply with the requirements of w. The resignation of the arly elected assessor left the h without the services of that and it was necessary to can- eligible candidates in order to ore one to take up the work. was doubly important this because of the triennial assess- which is to be made in 1919. condition resulted in the elec- and has completed the work in ime fixed by law. If the exte- of a few days is granted by the issioners, in order to allow them checked over, the books will be ered not later than Thursday.

DIERS ADMONISHED TO HONOR UNIFORM

Wear the uniform with honor, as did as a soldier, and be particu- about your conduct, appearance, ciation and habits," reads a orandum directed to men who to be discharged from Camp man. The memorandum was is- by Gen. Matthew C. Smith, at request of the secretary of war.

Mrs. Elmer Dornan

Mrs. Freda Dornan, wife of Elmer n, died at the family home. w avenue. Sunday evening at 'clock, aged 32 years She is ed by her husband, two sons. and Silas Elmer, and one dau- Nancy, and by her grandmoth- Mrs. Nancy Jane Beltz, who re- in Ohio Funeral services will held Tuesday afternoon at 2 ock, with interment in Mononga- cemetery.

WAR STAMPS CAMPAIGN GOING VERY SLOWLY

The campaign for War Savings Stamps in Washington county is not going with that freedom which indicates a successful termination of the drive. The people as a whole appear to be somewhat indifferent to the purchase and sale of these "baby bonds" and as a consequence it looks as if the quota for the county will not be reached. The campaign will end tomorrow night, and final results will be made known in a few days thereafter.

CARING CONDUCT WINS PROMOTION

Charleroi relatives are highly gratified at the word received in Uniontown that Captain Ray K. Chalfant, of the Sixty-first regiment, has been made a major in recognition of his daring and leadership in reorganizing his brigade and leading a successful counter assault against German trenches. after his ranking officers had been killed or disabled.

Major Chalfant was commissioned from the second Officers' Training School at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., last December and sent to Camp Greene where he was promoted to a Captaincy. May 15 he sailed for France with his regiment. the 61st infantry. After three months' training in a French college for staff officers. he was made adjutant of the Ninth Infantry brigade. and with it saw two months of the severest fighting of the autumn.

Although many of his brother officers were killed or disabled, the nearest the Hun got to him was when his horse was shot from under him. His promotion to Major and Chief of Staff of the Ninth Infantry brigade followed daring work in the reorganization of the brigade for a counter attack. He is now with the Fifth Division.

Major Chalfant's home is in Perryopolis. and he is but 25 years old.

LIEUT DINSMORE IS BACK FROM FRANCE

Lieut. William H. Dinsmore who served in France with Co. H. 110th Infantry. has returned from overseas arriving in New York last week. Lt. Dinsmore is just out of the hospital having been returned to this country on account of disability.

FORMER PRESIDENT TO SPEAK IN WASHINGTON

Former President William Howard Taft will speak in Washington on the tenth of January. his subject being "The League of Nations." The lecture will be given in the high school auditorium of Washington

Falls on Fifth Street And Breaks Knee Cap

Oscar Berringer, of the DeVilbiss Manufacturing Company of Toledo, O., while in Charleroi on Sunday met with a very unfortunate accident, which will likely confine him to his home for several weeks. Mr. Berringer came to Charleroi for the purpose of presenting a spraying apparatus to the local high school. In company with H. J. Booth and Superintendent Pollock he had visited the high school building Sunday afternoon, where the instrument was placed, and it was while he was on his way down Fifth street the accident happened. He was walking down town in company with Mr Booth and Prof. Pollock, when he slipped and fell on the icy pavement in front of the property of John Bowman, a short distance below Crest avenue. In the fall he thought he had broken his knee, but a later examination discovered the fact that his knee cap had been broken. He was brought to the Wilbur hotel and Drs. Enos and Stahlman called who reduced the fracture and fixed him up so he could travel. He left at a later hour for his home in Toledo, being accompanied as far as Pittsburg by Dr. Stahlman, who had him placed comfortably on a western train.

The snow and wet weather of the past few days have left the streets in a very icy condition, which makes walking quite difficult in going up or down the hills. Mr. Berringer was not used to this feature, which contributed to the accident which disabled him.

Taylor Foreman Dies In Los Angeles, Cal.

Word has been receive in Charleroi of the death of Mr. Taylor Foreman. which event occurred in Los Angeles, California. on Friday. December 27. Mr Foreman, in company with his wife, left Charleroi for Los Angeles the latter part of October. where he expected that the change of climate would materially assist him in recovering his health. In a letter to Mr. John Kimmins, dated on the 20th of December, he said he was feeling much better, and the tone of the communication was very optimistic so far as his health was concerned. Some few years ago Mr. Foreman suffered from a paralytic stroke, and it is surmised a recurrence of this trouble caused his death. He was aged about 73 years.

Mr. Foreman was a pioneer resident of Charleroi. having located here in the early 90's, shortly after the founding of the town, and opened a grocery store on Fallowfield avenue, a short distance below Fifth. He continued this undertaking for years. retiring when failing health made demands too heavy for him He came to Charleroi from Wheeling, near which city his relatves live.

Mr. Kimmins, in speaking of Mr. Foreman this morning, told of an incident which occurred in 1886. when he lived in Triadelphia. W. Va. During that summer a heavy flood swept through the town, carrying away not only Mr. Foreman's residence, but likewise the creek changed its course under the heavy downpour of rain. and washed away the lot on which the house stood. Mr. and Mrs. Foreman saved nothing from the home, and only had in their possession, after the flood had passed. what clothing they wore. Mr. Kimmins at that time was a young man just married. and after taking to the hills with the balance of the population, took his wife and another lady to a farm house quite a distance back on the hills as a place of refuge from the storm.

DONORA ELKS WILL OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY

The Donora lodge of Elks will celebrate the seventh anniversary of its organization on Friday evening, January third. and a committee is now at work making the necessary preparations for the event, which is expected to be quite a feature in valley Elkdom. A very entertaining program will be presented, and among the features will be Stoke's Jazz band of McKeesport, Jack Keefer and his minstrels from McKeesport and the singers and comedians of the Manhattan Stock Company which is playing in Donora this week. A luncheon is also being arranged.

Harry Wentzel. son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Wentzel of Meadow avenue. is confined to his bed by illness.

STILL DISPUTING ABOUT RIGHT OF WAY

Members of the Pennsylvania State Police were called to West Alexander. this county. Sunday night, to stop government army truck trains from breaking down baricades placed across the National highway at that place, where the roadway is being rebuilt. The highways are impassible and the government insists that they shall be granted the right of way through the town. A legal fight in the courts is anticipated before the controversy is settled.

The Protected Home Circle will hold a euchre Wednesday evening, January 1. 1919. The meeting will be called at 7:30 sharp and playing will begin at 8:30. The proceeds are to pay the war tax of the boys in service. 175-t2-

SUPERINTENDENT IS APPOINTED FOR THE HOME DEFENSE POLICE

TIME CHANGES ON PENNA LINES WEST

Central time will be discarded on the eastern division of the Pennsylvania Lines West from Pittsburgh to Crestline, O., at 2 o'clock on the morning of January 1, when eastern standard time will be used. Central time is now one hour slower than eastern time. At present it is in use on all railroads leading westward out of Pittsburgh. By a rearrangement of zones the line of change passes near Crestline. O. instead of near Pittsburgh.

COUNTY SERVICE FLAG UNVEILED WEDNESDAY

The dedication of the Westmoreland county service flag will take place at the State Armory, Greensburg on New Years Day. This service flag will contain a blue star with the numerals indicating the number of men who enlisted from the county with a gold star for every man who made the supreme sacrifice. An exhibition of war supplies and munitions will also be given.

The dedication ceremony will be simple and impressive. Judge A. D. McConnell will preside. Addresses will be made by Hon. James S. Moorehead and Hon. Albert H. Bell. The flag will be unfurled by Julia Belford Anderson, daughter of the late Major Thomas E. Anderson, of Latrobe, killed in action August. 1918. She will have as aids sisters of the boys who have made the supreme sacrifice.

FIRST WORD TELLS OF SON'S WOUNDS

John Palfrey, Sr., of 1213 Lookout avenue, received an official telegram from the Adjutant General's office at Washington Sunday morning saying that his son, Private John Palfrey, Jr., attached to a machine gun battalion, had been severely wounded in action about the 11th of November. The department had no other information of the casualty.

Private Palfrey was called to service on the 9th of November, 1917 and trained for overseas duty at Camp Sherman. He left for France in June and from that day until Sunday morning his parents had received no word from him. They had sent several letters to France and even had others to write but no word reached them until the telegram came Sunday morning telling them of his being wounded. Mr. Palfrey has made an effort to reach him at the hospital in which he is being cared for.

Renewed Activity Expected To Be Taken After First Of New Year

TO ELECT MAJOR FOR BATTALION

Members of the local Home Defense Police who think their duties are ended with the signing of the armistice must think again. There is much yet expected of them. and the Pennsylvania Council of National Defense and Committee of Public Safety is notifying commanding officers to keep their units in trim and to be ready for service when called upon.

C. H. Landefeld, of Monongahela, has been appointed Superintendent of Home Defense Police for Washington county, and all the various county units will be subject to his orders. In a communication to Capt. W. D. Pollock, Col. James E. Barnett, chairman of the county Public Safety committee, calls attention to the fact that the Home Defense Police will be expected to stay in business for the present at least.

Instead of dropping away from drill and other activities, it is expected that after the first of the new year there will be increased activity in the ranks of the Home Defense, one of the features to be an inspection by the Superintendent. Moreover it is likely that an election for Major of the river battalion will be called for shortly. at which time some one of the officers of the companies represented therein will be chosen to this important post. In his letter to Capt. Pollock, Col. Barnett said:—

My Dear Captain:—

During the epidemic the Home Defense justified its existence by the faithful and effective work it did for the public.

By appointment of Governor Brumbaugh and acceptance of same, Mr. C. H. Landefeld is now Superintendent

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TO REORGANIZE THE PENNA. NATIONAL GUARD

Under plans now being discussed at Harrisburg it is proposed to reorganize the National Guard of Pennsylvania, the present units of the Reserve Militia being utilized as units. It is proposed to retain the numbers of regiments of the state which have gained fame in France, such as the First. Tenth, Sixteenth and Eighteenth. Companies will be located in towns where a State armory is located, or where there is a leased building for military purposes. Many of the men now serving overseas will besought to join in this organization. and it is anticipated the undertaking will be a great success.

Majestic Theatre Today

presents Virginia Pearson in

"BUCHANAN'S WIFE"

Weds man she hates while under the spell of hypnotic power

TOMORROW---Bessie Barriscale in "THE WHITE LIE"

Remember The BOYS OVER THERE

You surely want to remember our brave boys over there this Christmas. A remittance to them by Bank Draft

CIGARS, BOX OF 25

Prince George	$1.50
General Braddock	$1.50
Lady Churchill	$1.75
Benefactors	$2.00
Rivalo	$2.00
Orlando M. Perf.	$2.50
Orlando Little	1.63
Palma De Cuba Vic	1.75
La Preferencia Vict	2.50
La Preferencia Perf.	4.25

TOBACCOS

Prince Albert lb jar	$1.45
Prince Albert, lb. tin	1.30
Prince Albert, 1-2 lb tin	70c
Tuxedo lb tin	1.30
Tuxedo 1-2 lb tin	70c
Patterson Scal lb	80c
Patterson Scal 1-2 lb	45c
Belfast lb	85c

TOBIES CIGARETS IN CARTONS

Coyle Theatre Today

Edith Storey in a 7 reel Metro feature

"THE LEGION OF DEATH"

Wednesday---Hale Hamilton in a Metro feature

"FIVE THOUSAND AN HOUR"

A gift should be adequately expressive of the donor's sincerity and of the depth of regard. The recipient's value of a gift reposes upon sentiment, beauty and impressiveness. As only the worth endures the ability, essentials are quality and durability. Precious [illegible] watches, silverware, silver [illegible], glass, China, bronze [illegible]

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THE SCAR BEARERS

Hundreds of American soldiers from privates all the way up the line to General Pershing will return from France decorated for conspicuous bravery.

Some will wear the Distinguished Service Medal, some the Croix de Guerre. Some will be awarded the Victoria Cross.

Everyone of them will have done some valorous deed of aggression or rescue.

But there will be some 50-odd thousand who came out of the fight more or less disfigured who may wear no ribbons.

These are the scar bearers, the wounded.

Not one of them but faced death in all the many guises that German ingenuity of the most devilish kind could contrive. But theirs was only the ordinary chance of war. Theirs the misfortune of being struck down before they had their chance.

Some will not be permanently disabled. But thousands will be. And everyone, that is everyone that took his chance over there must have his chance once more over here.

Uncle Sam has worked out an elaborate plan of rehabilitation for these wounded heroes. If they need medical attention after their return they will get it. If they need special training to fit them for such work as their condition will permit them to do they will get that training. Whatever assistance is necessary they will have.

Uncle Sam will bear the expense, gladly, gratefully; for his obligation is one that can never be adequately met.

All of us must remember this in connection with the next Liberty loan. Not all of the money will go for martial needs, for peace enforcement or for the scores of other demands the governmental plans will precipitate.

Much of it will be devoted to making payment for the services of those who did their best to pay the price of world freedom.

For them too much cannot be done.

SCANDALOUS DELAY

One of our Congressmen was right when he declared the other day the delay in paying the soldiers "a scandal to the nation." On every hand we hear of families without their dependent allowances and of soldiers forced to go without ordinary comforts because they cannot get their pay.

It is of no large concern that the government is exceedingly slow in registering bonds and that interest payments of them are in many cases long overdue. That does not matter. Bondholders even the little ones can wait. Not so easy is the lot of the soldier and his dependents.

Of course the government has had a mountain of extra work to do. But it has added 200,000 to the population of Washington and has covered the city with office quarters for the transaction of public business. Is it impossible with such an army of clerks to attend to so elemental a thing as the paying of the soldiers?

The several conflicting statements as to the part played by British ships in the transport of our troops to France are finally disposed of by the following announced of Vice Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss as follows: Troops transported, 2,079,880; in American ships [illegible] per cent; in British ships 48 per cent; in French and Italian ships [illegible] per cent. Naval escort [illegible] per cent. After the troops had been transported nearly all the troops and the American ships did more than four-fifths of the carrying—a much greater share than previous reports indicated.

Editors of Exchanges:

Please don't say that the weather is fine. Don't say that it is cold. Don't say that it is warm. Don't say that it is hot. Don't say that it is wet. Don't say that it is dry. Don't say that it is anything. Don't say that it is nothing. Don't say that it is something. Don't say that it is anything else. Don't say that it is everything. Don't say that it is nothing else. Don't say that it is something else. Don't say that it is anything else. Don't say that it is everything else

...H IS PRIDE OF ITALY

...y Twelve Years Old, but He H... Won Great Distinction as a Brave Soldier.

On going to see the army of the Grappa a writer for the Mirzoeio met the smallest soldier in the Italian army—a boy refugee of twelve, in the telephone service. His uniform bears distinctive marks for wounds. Besides he has been decorated. His name is Patriarca. He was born at San Daniele of Friuli. His parents died when he was very young and he worked in a carpenter's shop.

After Caporetto he left his native country, and from that day the war began for him. In the retreat he joined a detachment of arditi, and with them performed prodigies of valor. On Monte Tomba, in November, when the German hordes pressed on from the Quero to overcome the defenses of Mount Grappa and of the Piave at one stroke he went out in a squad with several others. He carried three hand grenades, larger than his little hands, but the arditi had taught him to throw them like stones at the enemy lines.

He arrived at the lines and pushed on to a point well within the enemy lines till he met a group of Germans, comprising a Prussian officer and three soldiers with machine guns. A wound shot out from his hand, and it was well aimed. The officer was stretched to earth. The machine-gun soldiers raised their hands. The boy threatened them, gesticulating with the other hand.

He drove the three big soldiers before him like sheep, dragging also the machine-gun. This story, which reads like a fable, is only a single page in the marvelous military history of Master Patriarca.—Italian-American News Bureau.

...FRENCH DEVOTED TO HOMES

...Their Native Places.

In counting the sorrows that have come upon France one must remember that her people, for the most part, have no wandering instinct in their blood; various causes, temperamental, economic, have made of them a race that roots stubbornly. A race that plows forward, that builds and saves and stints; that has little careless trust in the future, in the haphazard turn of events; that holds to what it has and improves it unadventurously but steadily; a race, in the provinces especially, of small owners, small landholders, small shopkeepers. With such the roots are driven deep into the soil, are entwined about the house they seldom move from; for which reason the rooms in which they and their fathers have dwelt have a lasting individuality unknown with us. We emigrant races. And for the same reason, I make no doubt that when they are driven forth by the chances of war their suffering is greater than that of a people as instinctively emigrant as ourselves. To the Frenchman home is in very truth an abiding place, and the unknown and unsettled future a greater dread than with us. Always I shall remember the dulled, tight-lipped faces of the older women of the town; of one, in particular, who stared from with the shuttered windows of the [illegible] shop of ... was her home, not seeming to hear while I stumbled out my sympathy, resentful and silent in her hopelessness. The little shop and the rooms behind it had been life and the world to herself and her husband for years. . . . None of them was emotional outwardly; but their mouths and their eyes were despairing.—Cicely Hamilton in the North American Review.

VOYAGE OF HARD-LUCK SHIP

On Trip From Calcutta to United States She Had Many and Serious Troubles.

A steamship that arrived the other day at an Atlantic port after a three months' voyage with 117 passengers had troubles from begging the long voyage from Calcutta and South Africa, says the New York Sun. She stranded off an uncharted channel of Madagascar and was forced back to Durban for repairs.

She sailed again after three weeks' delay, returned because of a fire in the jute cargo in her after hold and finally got away. Three days out Edward Gibson, automobile agent of Detroit, died of influenza and was buried at sea. Then two Chinamen indulged in a dispute about the merits of their respective tongs; one cut the other in the abdomen, and believing he had committed murder, jumped overboard and was drowned.

Everything might have been placed aboard ship thereafter had it not been for two "nationalists" from the Transvaal, who noisily advocated the smashing of all flag allegiance and said particularly hard things about the Stars and Stripes and the British ensign. They were surprised when they were held up and sent to Ellis Island on the charge of uttering seditious sentiments. Their fellow passengers said they were among the I. W. W.'s of South Africa.

Dr. James Dixon of Stamford, Conn., who had been 14 months in the Belgian Congo helping to treat about 5,000 natives for tropical diseases, praised the Belgians for their swiftness in driving out the Germans and regretted that he had come back too late to join the medical forces in France, as was his intention.

Mrs. Edward Calvert, who is known [illegible] to folks of Cape Town, and who coyly admits that she is the "smartest milliner in South Africa," comes here to buy goods.

...QUE "MAKE GOOD"

...mony as to Splendid Work Done in England ...ce War Started.

...d's women police have ... a real force for the ...f order and public morals ...eared in the report of ...ham, deputy commander ...omen police service, at a ...Richmond, where the es... ...f such a force was under

...hat these forces had been ...voluntary workers early ... as a means of helping ... young English girls and ...ere in need of aid or advice ...ee and a half years 1,000 ...e been trained for the ...have found appointments. ...t women are policing 20 ...actories, where they perform duties practically that ...pected of masculine police. ...n's police service has also ...olice for 18 towns, in four ...women have been sworn in ...fices.

Captives Are Oxlike.

...through Templeaux and on ...road for Peronne things be... exciting and we drew up ... column of 900 prisoners pass... ...ch side of the causeway was ... Australians, with their keen, ... falcon faces, and between these heavy-jawed, beetle-uncouth louts, new-caught and ...round with bewildered eyes at ...bonnaire caprors. I saw none ... relief at getting out of it ... have read of; nor did I see ...s of fear, but the prevailing ...ion was an oxlike stolidity and ... It was a herd of beasts, not ...ession of men. It was indeed ...to think that these uniformed ...ki... represented the great mili... nation, while the gallant figures ...lined the road belonged to the ... which they had despised as ...unwarlike.—Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett in London Chronicle.

What Next?

...Recently, after the routine of physical examinations and tests at the Indianapolis Orphans' home had been completed, the typhoid and smallpox vaccinations, eye and ear ... and treatment recommended, ...h for and removal of adenoids ... tonsils, dental tests and care, ...diphtheria immunity test and anti-... in and finally tuberculosis test. ...e of these requiring repeated trials ... treatment, one little fellow said ...his teacher in the school, in speaking ... of the various overhaulings: "They'll be testing us next to see if we have any brains, won't they?"

New Source of Leather.

Durable leather from the bladders of animals is obtained by Prof. Ph. Obrist-Doos, a Swiss. The bladders are stretched and dried, giving it ... smooth surface and are then ... proof and waterproof by a special ... of tallow and tanning. ... ...leather with a ... of any kind ... thickness.

Move Czar's Body Again.

A new chapter to the travels of the dead has been added by the exhumation and reinterment of the body of the former Emperor Nicholas. Napoleon's remains lay for nearly twenty years in St. Helena before removal ...

QUIET AND PATIENT PEOPLE

American Official in Russia Pays Tribute to the Good Manners of the Street Crowds.

In spite of the excesses that have marked the ascendancy of the bolsheviki in Russia, the typical Russian is a patient, kindly and orderly sort of person. Mr. Greiner, who visited Russia as a member of the American railway commission, tells the readers of Russia that he found Russians better behaved in public than Americans often are.

The trolley cars, he says, were always jammed with people, mostly by soldiers who did not pay fare. In America, in such circumstances, we find that as soon as a car stops the rule is usually each man for himself and the devil take the hindmost. It was therefore a surprise to us to observe that in Petrograd the people would of their own volition form a line and take their turn in getting on the car. We saw the same characteristic everywhere. Although there were no traffic officers on the streets, vehicles of all kinds in the most crowded thoroughfares worked their way through without undue disturbance or interference with each other.

All Russians smoke cigarettes, and the supply is short. When a dealer gets in a new stock he puts up a sign to that effect; but the people do not crowd into the store in the way that American storekeepers like to see, but form a long line on the street, each person taking his turn in getting cigarettes, and all without any confusion or apparent regulation. They followed the same procedure in getting food, especially bread and milk; we saw lines of people standing all night long in order to get an early supply in the morning. They talked to each other cheerfully and constantly and appeared to be enjoying the occasion.—Youth's Companion.

New Alloy of Great Value.

On account of the high temperature required for [illegible] ... steel ... [illegible] ... steel ... produced by adding cobalt to chromium-carbon steel is reported to be best hardened by a temperature not exceeding 1,230° C. For most purposes the hardening needed is obtained when the tool is cooled naturally in draft-free air. In a comparative test saws of "cobalt crom," as the new steel is called, continued cutting four days without regrinding, while saws of tungsten high-speed steel were dulled in two days and those of carbon-steel in half a day.

German War Gardens.

In the German army, as in the American, garden patches supplemented the food ration. German military gardens in the reclaimed salient, however, were so numerous and of such size that the impression the Americans got was that the German soldiers in this sector depended largely for food upon what they themselves produced and upon what was grown by the French, ... [illegible] ... to work in the fields ... [illegible] ... said pieces of gardens, and although ... [illegible] ... late in the season the plantings will be far from poor for many resourceful mess sergeants.—Stars and Stripes.

Personal Reasons.

The Liberty bond squad had some interesting experiences. "I am not subscribing for this $50 ... to please you," ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ...

SAMPLE OF RED CROSS WORK

Wounded English Soldier's Mother Made Glad by News of Son in American Hospital.

He sat a little apart from the other men who crowded the receiving station for American Base Hospitals Nos. 23 and 26. There was a cigarette in his mouth and a peaceful smile on his face that brought the American Red Cross searchers to his side with a query.

"You look as if you're glad to be here: are you really?" she asked. The wounded man grinned joyously.

"You're jolly well right, miss, I've only just come from back of the German lines. This is heaven."

His name was G. Tully, and he belonged to the British Royal Field artillery. Three months previously he had been taken prisoner by the Germans and had been held just back of the lines to work on the railroads and ammunition trains.

When the Americans started their offensive near Fismes, he and two other comrades made a dash for the American lines. The Tommies with him fell, mortally wounded by bullets that were meant for Boches. Tully escaped with only a slight wound in the wrist and was sent back to the base with a trainload of American wounded.

The Red Cross searcher at once sent word to the wounded man's mother, in England, that he was safe in an American hospital, and a short time afterward this acknowledgment came back from the British Red Cross:

"We have today forwarded your kind information re Gunner G. Tully to his mother, who had inquired about him of us for three months without success. We cannot say how grateful we are to you for having taken so much trouble in his case and for being of such material assistance to our inquiry."—From a Red Cross Scrapbook.

Where a Fiction Was Just as Good.

In the woods just west of Thiaucourt a [illegible] at [illegible] ... was [illegible] ... to test the wire in a ... [illegible] ... spring. While he was on this job he looked up just in time to see two Boches advancing. Although armed with nothing deadlier than a first-aid pouch, he made a motion toward his right hip. Immediately both Boches, catching the motion, lifted their hands in surrender.

Other Boches soon came forward from the woods, and each, coming suddenly upon the officer still making threatening motions toward his pistolless hip, surrendered in turn.

By the time a sergeant and five Yankee privates came along the lieutenant had a bag of 19 German prisoners to turn over to them.—Stars and Stripes.

How Germans Obtained Fat.

No method of obtaining fats has been neglected in Germany. A Charlottenburg chemist has patented a process of obtaining fat from growths of microscopic animal forms which are cultivated on suitable waste materials, such as sewage water, the [illegible] ... edible fungi, protecting it all, clutter refuse and stale yeast. On triturating the cultures with water and heating, the fat may be skimmed off, or it may be separated by a solvent.

Horseback Wrestling.

A new sport which became very popular among the soldiers in a Canadian training camp is horseback wrestling, says Popular Mechanics Magazine. [illegible] ... of two men who had been selected by seven girls in turn. The ...

...Lucky Woman—Go ahead. Don't be discouraged. Never say die. You must have learned a lot by what you have gone through. Strikes us, you must hold something like a record. Well, stick all your experience together and take it to the next girl who comes round and takes your fancy. If she don't reciprocate try another. Remember, you only want one girl to say "Yes" and she'll probably last your life."

How It Would Help.

The "purist" who talked a lot and did very little was holding forth as usual.

"I'm thinking seriously of offering my methods to the government," he ...

"Do you mean the book you had me ... in last summer when the engine ...

"If I were you," said the friend earnestly, "I would have given that boat to the Germans."

Portugal and Her Colonies.

The population of Portugal numbers 5,957,955 and the area of the ... 35,490 square miles. Her ... are Cape Verde Islands, ...

LEFT BOTTLE AS SENTINEL

And Two Weary Privates Had Perfectly Good Explanation of Where They Got the Champagne.

About 10 o'clock on the morning of the brigade's arrival at a beautiful little town that looked, under the morning summer sun, as if it might be a million miles from the battle front, the peaceful scene was accentuated by two boyish privates of squad 17 size, obviously strays from their company, at the side of the street just around the corner from headquarters.

One was sleeping, as only a soldier who has seen five days of battle can sleep, his head dangling carelessly over a mud-stained pack. The other had one shoe off, and was regarding ruefully, but rather listlessly, his capital wound of battle, a blistered foot. Before them, as conspicuous as the top sergeant at morning roll call, stood, in its labeled and tinseled glory, an empty champagne bottle. Every rank from sergeant to brigadier general passed them, tried to look shocked, and failed.

By-and-by the second private stretched his foot over the curbing and went to sleep, too. It wasn't until afternoon that a noncom, rounding up stragglers, awoke them.

"Where did you get that champagne?" asked the noncom (with motives beyond question).

"Well," explained the smaller of the pair, "we hadn't had anything to eat but iron rations for five days, and not much of that, then we lost our outfit and when we landed here we started out to buy something. The only thing on sale in the whole town was a bottle of champagne, so we bought that."—Stars and Stripes.

Perseverance Does It.

"It's the allies' perseverance that won this war," said Senator Lewis.

"[illegible] ... suffered defeat after defeat and fear they formed ... [illegible] ... [illegible] ... famous flag signal ever flown was Nelson's at Trafalgar, but it required a great number of [illegible] ... (boys, they are so lustily called) to spell out: 'England expects that every man will do his duty.'"

Grace in Salutation.

The Semitic races have preserved something of the adoration and prostration to which the Orientals have been and still are bound in the presence of their superiors, and their gestures in greeting are as humble as their words. Even the Arab, so proud by nature, will touch the ground with his right hand and put it to his lips. In Dahomey and Siam subjects crawl before the king, and even Siberian peasants kneel and kiss the dust before he is idle.

Only Art That Endures.

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